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TAGS: PGOV, PHUM, KCOR, ECON, EPET, LI
SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S APRIL 29 MEETING WITH LIBERIAN PRESIDENT ELLEN JOHNSON SIRLEAF

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1. (C) SUMMARY. In an April 29 meeting, the Ambassador and President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf discussed Liberia's 2011 election preparations, the trial of former President Charles Taylor, and improving Liberia's investment climate.

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5. (SBU) Referring to the recent visit by a Chevron executive to Liberia (Ref D), Sirleaf told the Ambassador that she wants Chevron in the country because it must abide by U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, which might induce improvements in Liberia's investment climate. Sirleaf is pressing for the sale of off-shore exploratory blocks currently owned by Nigerian companies Oranto and Broadway to Chevron. Ambassador reminded Sirleaf that Chevron remains concerned over a recent General Auditing Commission (GAC) report alleging that Oranto and Broadway paid inducements to legislators through the National Oil Company of Liberia to obtain the blocks. Sirleaf replied that she is willing to give Chevron what it needs in terms of legislative approval for "comfort," but "going back to the drawing board" and rebidding the blocks would take years and delay Liberian oil extraction gains.

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SIRLEAF'S UPCOMING WASHINGTON VISIT

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